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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of works "CPWS Schemes to Chindadagaruvu of Amalapuram (M), Bodasakurru of Allavaram (M) and Kunavaram & Bheemanapalli of Uppalaguptam (M), East Godavari District" against Sri M.Rajeswara Rao, Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply, Kakinada Retired from service and four (04) others. – Charges framed – Appointment of Chief Engineer & Project Director, APDWSC, as Inquiry Officer and Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, East Godavari District appointed as Presenting Officer – To conduct common inquiry - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.379 **Dated:30/05/2024**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, G.A.(V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.07 (C.No.316/V&E/Engg./2014), dated 19.05.2022 .
2. Govt. Memo. No.1767370/Vig.VI/2022, dt:13.01.2023
3. From ENC, RWS&S, Letter No. Vig(IV)/RWS&S/V&E-24/2023, Dt:15.02.2023
4. G.O.Ms.Nos.33 &34, PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt.09-05-2023.
5. GO Rt.No. 260 to 265, PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt.09-05-2023.
6. From ENC, RWS&S, Letter No. Vig(II)/RWS&S/V&E-7/2023, Dt:16.08.2023
7. Written Statement of Defence of the Charged Officer Sri M.Rajeswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS., Kakinada Retired from service and four (04) others through the letter from the ENC, RWS&S, dt:24.01.2024.
8. GO Rt.No.378, PR & RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt:30-05-2024.
9. GO Rt.No.380, PR & RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt:30-05-2024.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, General Administration(V&E) Department has reported that the Vigilance & Enforcement Department enquired into the allegations of irregularities in execution of RWS works of "CPWS Schemes to Chindadagaruvu of Amalapuram (M), Bodasakurru of Allavaram (M) and Kunavaram & Bheemanapalli of Uppalaguptam (M), East Godavari District" executed by RWS & S Department based on the complaint received from Sri Rayapureddy Srinivasarao of Bheemanapalli (V) of Uppalaguptam (M) of East Godavari District and news published in Eenadu, Andhra Prabha, Andhra Bhoomi and Vision daily News Papers.

2. In the G.O 8th read above, Common disciplinary proceedings were instituted against the following officials under Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Designation
1.	Sri D.D.N.Nataraj,	The then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural

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		Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Amalapuram of East Godavari District and now as Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department SD, Machilipatnam, Krishna District.
2.	Sri Syed Fakeer	The then Assistant Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub Division, Amalapuram of East Godavari District and presently working as Assistant Engineer, O/o MEO, MPP, Katrenikona.
3.	Sri Y.Sridhar	The then Assistant Executive Engineer., Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Section, Allavaram of East Godavari District and now as Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Atreyapuram mandal, Konaseema District.

3. After verifying the service particulars of the employees, it is noticed that Sri Ch.Appa Rao, Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Division, Kakinada and Sri M.Rajeswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS., Kakinada have retired from service and necessary sanction has been accorded to initiate disciplinary action against them under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, vide G.Os 4th read above.

4. In the GO 5th read above, Articles of Charge were issued against all the employees and retired employees. In the reference 6th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department has informed that Sri Ch.Rama Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Sub-Division, Amalapuram has expired on 09.02.2020 while in service. Accordingly further action is abated against him vide G.O. 9th read above under Rule 9(7) of APRPR, 1980.

5. In the reference 7th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department has forwarded Written Statement of Defences of all the Charged Officers in which all the Charged Officers requested to exonerate the charges framed against them.

6. After careful examination, Government have decided to conduct regular departmental Inquiry against the Charged Officers noted in the paras 2 & 3 above on the charges framed against them and accordingly hereby appoint the Chief Engineer & Project Director, APDWSC, as Inquiry Officer, under Rule 20 (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991, to conduct detailed Inquiry against Sri M.Rajeswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS., Kakinada Retired from service and four (04) others.

7. Government also hereby appoint Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, East Godavari District to present the case before the Inquiry Officer, appointed in para 6 above, on behalf of the Government, under Rule 20 (5) (C) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

8. The Presenting Officer shall well acquaint himself with the facts of the case and present the case, before the Inquiry Officer, effectively. He is also requested to obtain and produce all necessary documents required by the Inquiry Officer, during the course of Inquiry and defend the case.

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9. The Inquiry Officer is requested to conduct Inquiry strictly in terms of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 and submit his report in three (03) months, as stipulated in GO Ms No.91, GA(Ser.C) Department dated:12.09.2022. Copies of charge Memo issued to the Charged Officers and Written statements of defence submitted by the Charged Officers are herewith furnished to the Inquiry Officer as required under Rule 20(7) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To
The Chief Engineer & Project Director, APDWSC & IA, O/o Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department., Vijayawada (W.e.)
The Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, East Godavari District & Presenting Officer.
The individuals through the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada.

Copy to:
The P.S to Prl Secy to Govt., (PR&RD).
The Secretary to VC, A.P.Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER